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CHEROKEE FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EAGLEBURGER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.), OGEN

SUBJECT: ODDS AND ENDS - VOLUME II

1. TONY LAKE CAME TO SEE ME TODAY ABOUT THE AKINS MATTER.
I WILL CONFESS TO YOU NOW THAT I HAD BEEN A LITTLE BIT
TOUGHER ON HIM -- INDICATING I WAS GIVING HIM MY PERSONAL
OPINION -- ON THE AKINS MATTER THAN YOU HAD TOLD ME TO BE.

2. LAKE ASSURED ME THAT AKINS HAS NOT SPOKEN TO CARTER, IS
NOT IN THE MIDDLE EAST AS A CARTER REPRESENTATIVE, AND HAS
NEVER BEEN TOLD THAT HE SHOULD REPORT HIS FINDINGS TO
CARTER. LAKE DID ADMIT THAT HE HAD TALKED TO A CONTACT OF
AKINS BEFORE THE LATTER LEFT FOR THE MIDDLE EAST AND HAD
TOLD HIM (THE CONTACT) THAT HE (LAKE) WOULD BE INTERESTED
IN A REPORT FROM AKINS AFTER HIS RETURN.

3. LAKE WENT ON TO SAY THAT A FIRM DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN
THAT ANY REPEAT ANY SAUDI ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT CARTER
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(APPARENTLY THERE HAVE BEEN A FAIR NUMBER) WILL BE REFERRED

TO CY VANCE, WHO WILL LISTEN BUT MAKE NO COMMITMENTS.
VANCE WILL ALSO INDICATE TO THE SAUDIS THAT HE IS THE "ONLY
AUTHORIZED EAR IN THE CARTER CAMP." I REPORT THIS TO YOU

NOT ONLY FOR ITS INTRINSIC INTEREST, BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF
THE PERSON WHO HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS THE AUTHORIZED
CONTACT. YOU WILL ALSO BE INTERESTED TO KNOW THAT ART
HARTMAN TELLS ME HE IS HEARING REPORTS FROM "WELL
CONNECTED" PEOPLE THAT VANCE WILL BE SECRETARY OF STATE,
WITH BRZEZINSKI AS DEPUTY SECRETARY. ROBINSON

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